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C O N F I D E N T I A L PHNOM PENH 1028

FOR STATE/AID

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: RICE SITUATION

1. THE FOLLOWING IS THE RICE SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION SITUATION IN
PHNOM PENH FOR THE ONE-WEEK PERIOD JANUARY 14 THROUGH JANUARY
20, 1974

	JAN 14	JAN 15	JAN 16	JAN 17
BEGONNING STOCK	17,854.5	16,893.5	16,194.0	15,628.4
ROUTE 5	--	--	--	--
ROUTE 4	--	--	--	--
MEKONG	--	--	--	--
TOTAL AVAILABLE	17,854.5	16,893.5	16,194.0	15,628.4

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LESS DISTRIBUTION 834.9 691.1 559.6 621.4

BALANCE	17,019.6	16,202.4	16,634.4	15,0007.0
ADJUSTMENT	(-)126.1	(-) 8.4	(-) 6.4	(PLUS) 118.3
BALANCE	16,893.5	16,194.0	15,628.4	15,125.3
	JAN 18	JAN 19	JAN 20	
BEGINNING STOCK	15,125.3	14,554.4	22,481.3	
ROUTE 5	--	--	--	
ROUTE 4	--	--	--	
MEKONG	--	8,515.4	--	
TOTAL AVAILABLE	15,125.3	23,069.8	22,481.3	
LESS DISTRIBUTION	632.5	535.0	--	
BALANCE	14,492.8	22,534.8	22,481.3	
ADJUSTMENT	(PLUS)61.6	(-)53.5	--	
BALANCE	14,554.4	22,481.3	22,481.3	

2. STOCK POSITION. AS OF COB JANUARY 20, PHNOM PENH HAD A TOTAL AVAILABILITY OF 22,481 M/T OF RICE. IN ADDITION, ON THE SAME DATE THERE WAS REPORTEDLY A SURPLUS STOCK OF 17,000 M/T IN KOMPONG SOM.

3. DELIVERIES TO PHNOM PENH DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AMOUNTED TO 8,515.7 M/T WHICH ARRIVED JANUARY 19 BY REGULAR MEKONG CONVOY AS FOLLOWS:

VESSEL/BARGE	METRIC TONS	ORIGIN
BATTY C-Z	711.0	U.S. (EX-CHRISTOPHER LYKES)
LUZON 1962	1,730.0	"" (EX-LESLIE LYKES)
WING PENG	1,492.4	"" "" "" "" ""
PORTSUN	1,382.0	"" "" "" "" ""
HWA SUN	1,400.0	"" (EX-CHRISTOPHER LYKES)
MONTE CRISTO	1,800.0	"" (EX-PRESIDENT ADAMS)

THERE WAS NO ARRIVAL VIS ROUTE 4 DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD. APPROXIMATELY 458 M/T FROM THE JANUARY 12 CONVOY ARE STILL IN KOMPONG SEILA AWAITING THE REOPENING OF THE HIGHWAY.

4. DISTRIBUTION. THE PRICE OF RICE CONTINUES TO DECLINE ON THE OPEN MARKET, AS SUPPLIES BECOME MORE ABUDANT, AND SO DOES THE DAILY RATE OF DISTRIBUTION THROUGH GOVERNMENT CHANNELS. THE GKR'S DAILY AVERAGE DISTRIBUTION DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD WAS 553.5 M/T, AND FOR THE 10-DAY PERIOD ENDING JANUARY 20 IT WAS CONFIDENTIAL

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583.5. THE DAILY AVERAGE FROM JANUARY 1 THROUGH JANUARY 20 WAS 589.1.

THE PHNOM PENH STOCK ON JANUARY 20 REPRESENTED 34.5 DAYS' SUPPLY ON THE BASIS OF DAILY DISTRIBUTION RATE OF 650 M/T WHICH WE CONTINUE TO PROJECT IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN A SAFETY MARGIN IN OUR PROJECTION. REPORTS OF POOR HARVESTS ARE REACHING THE GKR'S RICE COMMITTEE FROM PROVINCES THAT ARE NORMALLY SELF-SUFFICIENT IN RICE, AND LEAD THE COMMITTEE TO BELIEVE THAT THE DAMAND AGAINST

PHNOM PENH RICE STOCKS WILL BUILD UP IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE.

5. ON THE BASIS OF THE CURRENT SHIPPING SCHEDULE FOR PL 480 RICE, WE PROJECT THE FOLLOWING TOTAL IN-COUNTRY AVAILABILITIE:

AS OF	METRIC TONS	DAYS' SUPPLY FOR PHNOM PENH
1/31/74	38,500	55
2/28/74	67,500	96
3/31/74	63,400	90

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